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MR. OSCAR WILDE AND THE LORD CHAMBERLAIN.

MR. WILDE TO CHANGE HIS NATIONALITY.

The Lord Chamberlain's refusal to license Mr. Oscar Wilde's new play, "Salomé," will deprive London play-goers of the advantage of seeing Mdme. Sarah Bernhardt in the title rôle. There is nothing to prevent Mr. Oscar Wilde from producing his French play at an invitation performance in London—and possibly he will do so—but, unfortunately, the engagements of Mdme. Bernhardt and M. Albert Darmont will not admit of their taking the parts for which they were cast, and which they have already rehearsed.

Mr. Oscar Wilde has been interviewed by a representative of the *Pall Mall Gazette*. The prohibition of "Salomé" is the source of intense disappointment to the talented author; and naturally so, for his work had commanded remarkable interpretation at the hands of Mdme. Bernhardt and her colleagues. Mr. Wilde informed our representative of his intention to leave England and settle in France, where he will take out letters of naturalization as soon as the necessary formalities and terms of residence have been completed.

MR. FRANK SMITH FOR CHELSEA.

Mr. Frank Smith, ex-Commissioner of the Salvation Army and County Councillor for North Lambeth, is making sure of success. So are his supporters, one of whom—the chairman of the Liberal Association—said to our representative to-day that he had never known such enthusiasm among the Radicals, even in the palmiest days of Sir Charles Dilke—the days when Hammersmith was part of Chelsea. The Nonconformist ministers are all supporting Mr. Smith, and they have to-day issued a manifesto on his behalf. The working classes are with him "to a man," and it is estimated that nearly two-thirds of the total electorate—11,531—are more or less connected with the working classes. As for the temperance vote, well, the Good Templars had a mass meeting on Sunday evening in the Broadway, and not one hand in the crowd—some 1,500 strong—was held up against the Liberal candidate.

Mr. Smith's meetings have been almost too enthusiastic. Some 2,000 men met at Ravenscourt Park on Sunday afternoon and passed a unanimous vote of confidence in him; and on Thursday—although the hall was not engaged until after three o'clock—the room, which holds a thousand, was crowded to suffocation.

Here is another instance of the electors' enthusiasm. During yesterday afternoon a *queue* of people formed outside the central committee rooms, all anxious to obtain Mr. Smith's window bills. In a short time a thousand of these had been distributed. Hundreds of working men have volunteered to work on Mr. Smith's behalf, and almost as many have contributed towards the fund for his election expenses, some bringing a modest shilling and expressing their regret that they were unable to give more.

Major-General Goldsworthy, the sitting member, who again seeks to represent the borough, has one of the worst parliamentary records of any metropolitan M.P. He is said to be the embodiment of the Everlasting No.

SLANDER ACTION AGAINST A DIAMOND MERCHANT.

In the Queen's Bench Division to-day, before Baron Pollock and a special jury, the case of Nyburg *v.* Ullman came on for trial. It was an action to recover damages laid at £2,000 for slander, the alleged slander being an allegation that the plaintiff had stolen a parcel of diamonds belonging to the defendant. The plaintiff is Symon Haim Nyburg, a diamond broker, carrying on business in Hatton-garden, and the defendant, Solomon Ullman is a diamond merchant in the Borough, and his defence was that the words complained of were uttered without malice, in the *bona fide* belief that they were true. He also pleaded privilege, and the case has been previously tried, when the jury found for the defendant, and the plaintiff had obtained a new trial. Mr. Willis, in opening the case for the plaintiff, submitted that as the slanderous words were used in the presence of a third person privilege could not be maintained.

NOTICE.

"LORD SALISBURY'S BLAZERS."—*The Popular Illustrated Leaflet.—In response to requests from Liberal candidates and agents, the chapter in "The Elector's Picture Book," entitled "Lord Salisbury's Blazers," has been separately printed as a Two-Page Leaflet, with five Illustrations by F. C. Gould.*
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LORD SALISBURY'S LAST CARD BEFORE THE ELECTIONS.

The Premier has played his last card before the General Election. His manifesto—about the same length as Mr. Gladstone's election address—is almost wholly given up to the Ulster Bogey. With the preliminary statement that "the working classes are evidently powerful enough to obtain any measure which, upon discussion, they generally believe will conduce to their welfare," his lordship continues that, "in respect of such measures, the present election possesses a special and critical importance, principally in that it will determine whether Parliament is to have the power of at once grappling with those questions, or whether the whole time of the next Parliament shall be devoted to a struggle over Irish government."

To a large portion of the Irish people who are threatened in effect with separation from Great Britain this election (says the Premier) is of terrible importance. On your votes will depend whether it will be to them a message of hope or a sentence of servitude and ruin. Other questions are not burning as this is; upon other matters if mistakes are made they can be repaired, and remedial measures, if they are inadequate, can be strengthened and made fuller later on. But for the loyal minority in Ireland the crisis is supreme. A wrong decision now means for them the certainty of bitter and protracted struggle, culminating probably in civil war, and, it may be, ultimate condemnation to the doom which they dread beyond any other fate—the subjection of their prosperity, their industry, their religion, their lives, to the absolute mastery of their ancient and unchanging enemies. I should not be discharging my duty if I did not, before you go to this election, join my voice to that of others to implore you to pause before you decide to reverse the policy of centuries, by casting out of your protection the men of Ulster and the other loyal men in Ireland. We do not know the precise designation and appearance of the hollow and fragile securities which will be offered in order to allay your fears, and to hide the wrong which is being done. They will serve to hinder the world from seeing the full cruelty of this abandonment, though they will certainly hinder nothing else. Ireland, we have been informed, is to be governed by an Irish Parliament ruling through Irish Ministers. No such government has ever existed in Ireland. With whichever section we may sympathise, it is flagrantly unjust to make either of these sections the absolute master of the other. They must be governed as part of a larger system in which their antagonism can be controlled by more impartial associates. But an Irish Parliament, governing through Ministers dependent upon it, must give over the smaller of these two intensely hostile sections to the unrestrained despotism of the larger. The Loyalists are the more industrious, the more prosperous, the more exposed of the two to unjust taxation and predatory legislation. We have the testimony of Loyalists of every rank imploring you in accents of passionate earnestness to secure them from the fate which the party strategy of English politicians is preparing for them. Landowners and tenants, cultivators and traders, men of the world and ministers of religion, speak with one voice. It is for you to determine whether this rash experiment, this dangerous novelty, shall be tried. We have shown by experience that under the existing system Ireland can be maintained in peace and order; that under a steady government the interests of all classes have been protected, and confidence and prosperity and progress have returned. You are asked to shatter these results. I pray that you may be guided to shrink from this great outrage on liberty, on gratitude, and on good faith.

THE ACCIDENT TO MR. GLADSTONE.

"Eye recovering well, and likely to allow travelling on Wednesday and use it reading on Thursday. Warm thanks to all friends who have felt or signified, apart from political opinion, their interest in the incident and desire for my recovery." So Mr. Gladstone telegraphed yesterday. He will be out in the open air to-day. Among the sympathetic messages were telegrams from the Queen, Lady Salisbury, and Mr. Chamberlain.

TO-DAY'S BULLETIN.

A Chester correspondent telegraphs:—Mr. Gladstone continues to make satisfactory progress. He has passed a good night, and no doubts are entertained of his ability to undertake the journey to-morrow to Midlothian. Dr. Grainger feared inflammation of the eye following upon the blow, but the wound is healing nicely. Mr. Gladstone's eye is still bandaged.

SIR RICHARD TEMPLE ON THE UNIONIST CHANCES.

Sir Richard Temple is reported by the *Gaulois* to have stated in the course of an interview with one of its representatives that in his opinion Lord Salisbury would secure a majority at the coming elections, adding that if such a majority was not as strong as that by which he had been supported during the past six years it would at all events enable him to remain in office. Sir Richard added, however, that the Unionist party must not lose sight of the tendency of the British electorate always to throw out the party in power. —*Reuter.*

FAILING A HOLIDAY, WORTHY OF IMITATION.

At the works of John Brown and Co. (Limited), at Sheffield, the men will be allowed to go to the poll on July 7 at any time of the day, and no deduction will be made for the time they are absent. A similar arrangement was in force at the last election.

SINGULAR ELECTION DIFFICULTY.

The Devonport Corporation will meet to-morrow to appoint a returning officer for the ensuing election. The mayor, Lord St. Levan, being a peer is ineligible under the Act. A similar difficulty occurs at Cardiff.

MR. DIBBS ON THE STUMP FOR MR. HOWARD VINCENT.

Speaking at Mr. Howard Vincent's meeting in Sheffield yesterday, the Hon. W. G. Dibbs, who was loudly cheered, said he had no right, as Premier of the great colony of New South Wales, to take any active part in English party politics, and he was present owing to a fortuitous circumstance:—

He had long promised himself a visit to Sheffield, whose notoriety and importance in manufactures was as well known in Australia as it was in England. It so happened that this day was fixed for his visit to a Sheffield manufacturer. The manufacturer told him of the meeting, and that Mr. Vincent, who was a friend of his (Mr. Dibbs) would address it. Led by curiosity as to how an election meeting was conducted in old England, and with a desire to lend Mr. Vincent the support of his countenance, if it were necessary, he decided to attend. He might at once say, though it would be improper in him to speak on the strong party questions which were before the English electors, he had a kindly feeling towards Colonel Vincent. (Cheers.) So far as the meeting was concerned politics was their business, but friendship was his—(cheers)—and if his voice could assist in the smallest possible manner to secure Col. Vincent's return he should be well compensated. He had come to Sheffield with more than an eye of curiosity. He came to take stock of what our manufactures were with a view, at no very distant date, of inducing some of the manufacturers to plant establishments on Australian soil. He had watched Colonel Vincent's labours in the direction of what was called Fair Trade, and had seen that he had not gone far enough. In common with many others, Colonel Vincent induced him to change the fiscal policy of New South Wales from Free Trade to Protection.

NEW LINE TO LONDON.—DELAYED FOR A SESSION.

The Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (Extension to London) Bill was not amongst those to which the Royal assent was given in Parliament yesterday. The bill has not yet been read a third time in the House of Lords, and it will afterwards have to be referred back to the Commons with amendments. The measure cannot, therefore, be passed by the expiring Parliament, and will have to stand over until the new Legislature meets after the General Election.

POST OFFICE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

A return issued this morning shows that the total estimated revenue of the Post Office for the year ending March is £10,402,700, and the total expenditure £7,201,021, leaving a net revenue of £3,200,879. The total revenue of the Post Office telegraphs is £2,542,200, and the total expenditure £2,633,050, showing a deficit of £90,850.

No fewer than 32,000 letters have been posted, on the average, per week, at the House of Commons post office this session. Over 13,500 inland telegrams have been forwarded, and nearly 14,000 received, whilst the press messages have exceeded 19,000.